NC Race to the Top (RttT) Information Technology (IT) Initiatives

Legislative Information Technology Subcommittee

November 3, 2011

Objectives/Agenda

1. **Provide Overview of RttT IT Initiatives**
   - **Goals**
   - **Projects**

2. **Focus on Identity Access & Management (IAM)**

3. **Address Committee Questions**

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Goals of RttT IT Initiatives

1. Support/Enhance Instruction (Student Achievement)

2. Support/Enhance Teachers' Professional Development

3. Increase performance, reliability, and cost-effectiveness of local IT infrastructure

One-time funding = Infrastructure

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RttT Technology Initiatives

State Plan

Instructional Improvement System $24M

New NC Virtual Public School Courses $6M

Local Plans

LEA Network $48.5M

User Devices $25.5M

State Plan

Learning Management $10.8M

Learning Objects Repository $1.7M

Web Collaboration Tools $4.4M

Identity Management $1.2M

Shared Infrastructure $11.2M

"NC Ed Cloud"

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Instructional Improvement System (IIS)

- See documents at:

  www.ncpublicschools.org/docs/acre/improvement/resources/

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NC Education Cloud (NCEdCloud)

- See "Blueprint" approved recently by the State Board of Education:

  http://cloud.fi.ncsu.edu/resources/NCEdCloud_Work_Plan.pdf

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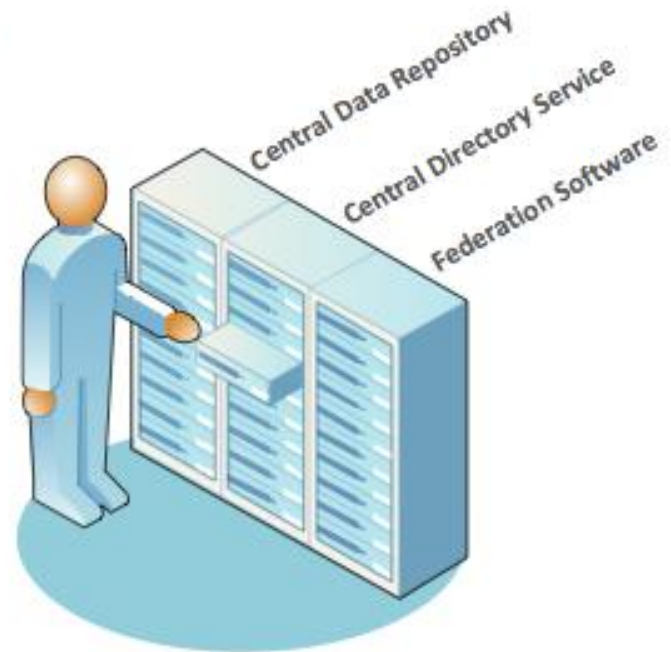
Five NCEdCloud Strategies

1. Transition LEA infrastructure to a cloud-centric **IT Enterprise** service model

2. Deploy an NC **shared learning infrastructure**

3. Modernize statewide **business operations** systems opportunistically

4. Form a **dedicated NCEdCloud support organization** and support network

5. Initiate a **digital inclusion** model to address anywhere any time access to the Shared Learning Infrastructure platform

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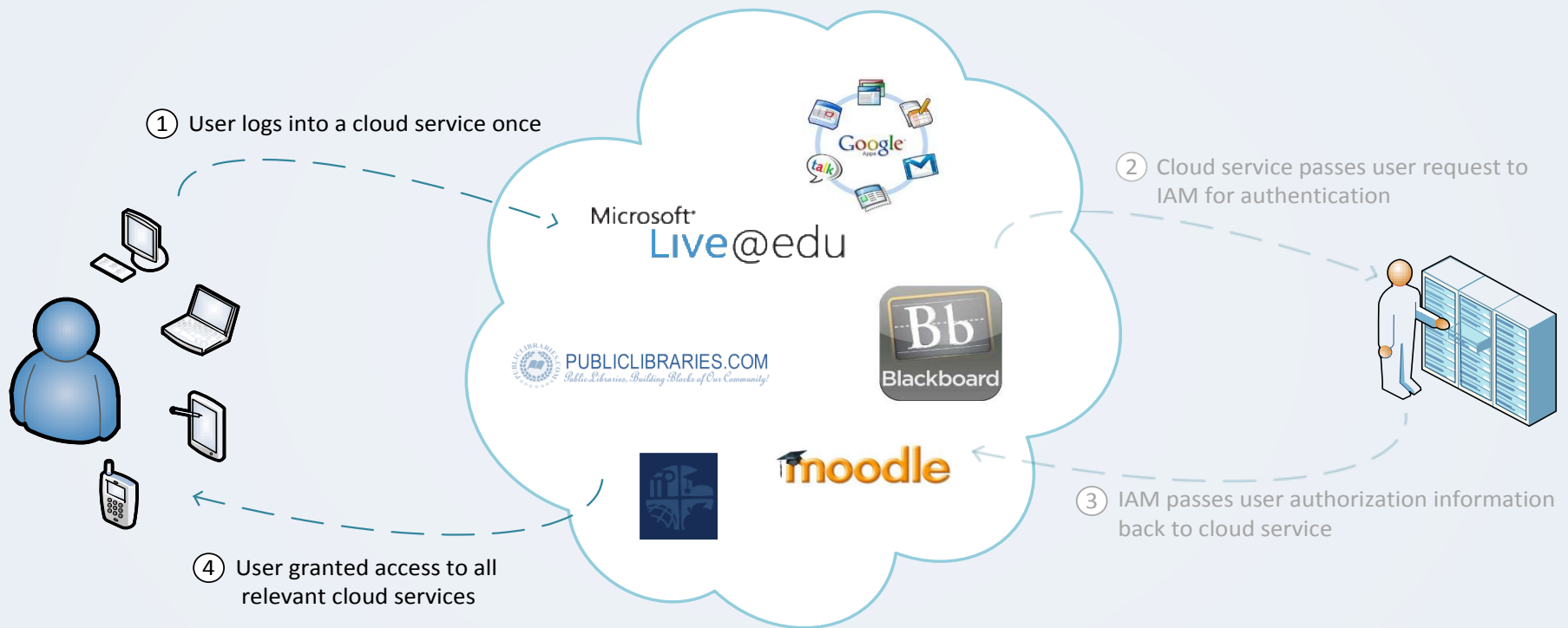
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Identity and Access Management

Identity and Access Management (IAM) System has 3 Major Components

1 Central Data Repository
The central repository will be comprised of relevant user data from various authoritative data sources

2 Central Directory Service
The central directory will contain all user IDs, passwords, and other identity information. It will serve as master authentication and authorization point for all cloud-based services and allow syncing to LEAs

3 Federation Software
The federation software security extends identity information to cloud-based services providing end users with single sign on experience

Central Data Repository
Central Directory Service
Federation Software

Identity and Access Management (2)

① User logs into a cloud service once

② Cloud service passes user request to IAM for authentication

③ IAM passes user authorization information back to cloud service

④ User granted access to all relevant cloud services

Summary

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   - **Projects**

2. **Identity Access & Management (IAM)**

3. **Committee Questions**

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